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DATE: DEC 18 1989

Mr. Jerry Robarge
Manager of Safety and Personnel
Ringier America, Inc.
P.O. Box 1555
Hwy. 45 and Golding Drive
Corinth, MS 38834

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Robarge:

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Mr. Larry Hinton Environmental Engineer Pirelli Armstrong Tire Company P.O. Box 359 Madison, TN 37116

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Hinton:

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Mr. Wendell Sterry Aladdin Industries Inc. 703 Murfreesboro Road Nashville, TN 37210

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Sterry:

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Mr. Gerald Bailey
Director of Environmental and House Services
United Technologies-Carrier
Carrier Corporation
P.O. Box 4808
Syracuse, NY 13221

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Bailey:

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Mr. Timothy D. Gifford SKF Industries, Inc. 1100 1st Avenue King of Prussia, PA 19406-1352

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Gifford:

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Mr. Van Jones, Manager Manufacturing Services Emerson-Chromalox Division Emerson Electric Company P.O. Box 1298 Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Jones:

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Mr. Robert Mulliner
The Trane Company
3600 Pannel Creek Road
La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601-7599

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Mulliner:

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Mr. Steve Moser Senior Counsel Bridgestone/Firestone Akron, Ohio 44317

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Moser:

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Mr. Brian Kelly
Environmental Department
Dunlop Tire & Rubber Company
P.O. Box 1109
Buffalo, NY 14240

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Kelly:

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NAME COMPANY **ADDRESS**

Re: Saad Site, Nashville, Tennessee

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Under Section 106(a) and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9606(a) and 9607(a), Section 7003 of the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 6973 (RCRA), and other laws, potentially liable parties may be obligated to implement response actions deemed necessary by EPA to protect health, welfare or the environment, and may be liable for all costs incurred by the government in responding to any release or threatened release at Such actions and costs may include, but are not limited to: expenditures for investigations, planning, response and enforcement activities.

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EPA has evaluated information in connection with the investigation of the site, concerning persons who may be associated with it. Based on this evidence, EPA believes that your company may be a potentially responsible party with respect to this site. Potentially responsible parties (PRPs) under CERCLA include current and former owners and operators of the site as well as persons who arranged for disposal of hazardous substances found at the site, or persons who accepted hazardous substances for transport to the site. Specifically, EPA has reason to believe that COMPANY arranged for the disposal of various hazardous wastes at the site. By this letter, EPA notifies you of your potential liability with regard to this matter and encourages you to voluntarily perform or finance those response activities that EPA determines are necessary at the site.

EPA has sampled the site, and found that there is significant contamination in the soil. Evidence of migration of the contaminants has been documented by contamination in nearby springs and monitoring wells. Both the wells and the soil were found to contain excessive levels of various chlorinated organics, including trichloroethylene, methylene chloride, and dichloroethane. At present, EPA is planning to conduct the following activities at the site:

- 1. Conduct a sampling investigation to determine the exact extent of contamination remaining at the site.
- 2. Excavate and dispose of all contaminated soil and materials at a federally approved disposal facility.

Under CERCLA Section 122(e), EPA has the discretionary authority to invoke special notice procedures to formally negotiate the terms of an agreement between EPA and a PRP to conduct or finance response activities. Use of these special notice procedures triggers a moratorium on certain EPA activities at the site while formal negotiations between EPA and the PRP are conducted.

In this case, EPA has decided not to invoke the Section 122(e) special notice procedures. It is EPA's policy not to use the special notice procedures for removals unless there is a 6-month planning lead time after the decision to respond and prior to the initiation of the action. Since the planning lead time prior to the initiation of this response action is less than 6 months, special notice procedures will not be used. Nonetheless, EPA is willing to negotiate without invoking a moratorium, but will initiate the response action as planned if negotiations do not lead to settlement in a timely manner.

Pursuant to CERCLA Section 113(k), EPA will establish an administrative record file that will contain documents that form the basis for EPA's decision on the selection of a removal action for the site. This administrative record will be open to the public for inspection and comment.

You should notify EPA in writing within ten (10) days of receipt of this letter of your willingness to participate in negotiations. Although EPA is not invoking Section 122(e) special notice procedures and no moratorium on EPA activities is invoked, EPA is willing to enter into negotiations for settlement. If EPA does not receive a timely response, EPA will assume that you do not wish to negotiate a resolution of your liabilities in connection with this response, and that you have declined any involvement in performing the response activities. You may be held liable under Section 107 of CERCLA for the cost of the cleanup activities EPA performs at the site.

In your response to this letter, please indicate the appropriate name, address, and telephone number for further contact. If you are already involved in discussions with state or local authorities, engaged in voluntary cleanup actions, or involved in a lawsuit regarding this site, you should continue such activities as appropriate. This letter is not intended to advise you or direct you to restrict or discontinue any such activities; however, you are advised to report the status of these discussions or actions in your response to this letter, and to provide a copy of the response to any other parties involved in those discussions or actions.

Your response should be mailed to:

Ms. Kelly McCarty
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
345 Courtland Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30365

A copy of the list of other PRPs that have been noticed is enclosed. The first page consists of parties that were found initially and have already formed a steering committee. The second page consists of those parties that have just been noticed. There will be a steering committee meeting that you are invited to on December 21, 1989, in Nashville, TN, at 1214 Church Street, at 10:00 AM, at the Nashville Electric Service building.

Because of recent problems that have occurred at the site, EPA feels that a prompt response to correct those problems is necessary. EPA has therefore set negotiating deadlines on the PRPs to have a signed Consent Order in place. Those deadlines are:

Draft Consent Order submitted to EPA Jan. 5 '90 Signed Consent Order Jan. 20 '90 Begin Site Work Phase I Feb. 5 '90

EPA believes that the site should be addressed in two phases, Phase I to correct the current problems should begin by Feb. 5, and Phase II to deal with the longer term problems at the site to begin sometime in the future.

If you or your attorney have any legal questions pertaining to this matter, please direct them to Mr. Ruben Bussey, Assistant Regional Counsel at 404/347-2641, or any technical questions to Ms. McCarty at 404/347-3931.

Sincerely,

Patrick M. Torin, Director Waste Management Division

Enclosure

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